



Annexation: the what, why, where and who

Annexation is the legal process in which cities or towns add land to their municipal boundaries and expand while adding residents living in that area to their population. West Lafayette is the most densely populated city in Indiana and the 27th most densely populated in the U.S. The City is running out of room to continue much needed economic development to help ensure West Lafayette's future success in the 21st Century.

Annexing land along the U.S. 231 corridor and property currently served by City sewer will promote private investment on the west side, enhance Purdue Research Foundation's ability to commercialize and provide a gateway to West Lafayette and Purdue University for future development. Approximately 1,500 parcels would be affected with the annexation adding approximately 5,000 acres to the City.

Annexation: the benefits

Property owners annexed into West Lafayette would receive the same municipal services as current residents receive. Those annexed would receive enhanced services including increased fire and police protection, snow removal, street sweeping, recycling (including a free 48-gallon Toter roll-out cart), brush and trash collection (including large item pick-up).

Annexation: the how

- first reading of the proposed annexation ordinance will be held during the West Lafayette City Council meeting Monday, May 20 at 6:30 p.m.
- West Lafayette City Council must adopt a fiscal plan regarding the proposed annexation
- certified mailing (notice of a public hearing) to each property owner on the Auditor's current tax list at least 60 days prior to a public hearing
- second reading of the proposed annexation ordinance will be held during a future City Council meeting
- ordinance may be adopted at least 30 days but not more than 60 days following the public hearing
- once the adopted ordinance is published, a 90-day remonstrance (formal objection) period begins
- if no remonstrance is filed, the annexation takes effect.

Annexation: remonstrance

See Indiana Code 36-4-3 for remonstrance procedures.

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